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Dear Ms. Horton:

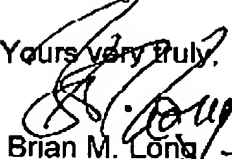
I have received your official action mailed 12/23/2005 in which you object under 35 USC 132(a) to the last amendment on the ground that there is no support in the specification for the "composite material" to be "solidified" composite material.

However, you gave no indication of where in the amendment to the specification the reference to "solidified" occurred and I therefore request you to clarify your objection by indicating what part of the specification or amendment you are referring to.

Also, I note that the penultimate line of page 5 states that "The coating material is then left to harden so as to form the reinforcement "skin" or sheet on the frame". It is not clear to me, in the context of the coating materials specified in the specification as filed, and the description of the manner in which they are employed to form a reinforcement layer, what you perceive to be the difference between "harden" and "solidified", and I therefore also request clarification of this aspect of your objection.

I will call you in a few days to discuss these matters.

Yours very truly,

  
Brian M. Long